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US DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. §371

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U.S. APPLICATION NO. 324

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Title of Invention

MANUFACTURING APPARATUS OF PRINTED WIRING BOARD, AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF PRINTED WIRING BOARD USING THE SAME

Applicant(s) For DO/EO/US

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

- 1. [X] This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. §371.
- 2. [] This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. §371.
- 3. [X] This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. §371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. §371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
- 4. [] A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
- [X] A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(2))
 - a. [X] is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). ATTACHMENT A
 - b. [X] has been transmitted by the International Bureau. ATTACHMENT B
 - c. [] is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
 - [X] A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(2)). ATTACHMENT C
- [] Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(3)).
 - a. [] are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. [] have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
- c. [] have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
- d. [] have not been made and will not be made.
- [] A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19.
 - [] An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(4)).
- 10. [] A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 14. below concern other document(s) or information included:

- 11. [X] An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. ATTACHMENT D
- 12. [] An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- 13. [X] A FIRST preliminary amendment. ATTACHMENT E

[X] A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment and Proposed Drawing Amendments. ATTACHMENT F

- 14. [X] Other items or information:
 - Notification Concerning Submission or Transmittal of Priority Documents ATTACHMENT G
 - unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney with Cover Letter ATTACHMENG H
 - Timely Entry into U.S. National Stage ATTACHMENT I

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

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15. [X] The following fees are submitted			CALCULATIONS	PIO USE ONLY	
BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)): Neither international preliminary examination fee nor international search fee paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO \$1000.00 International Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO \$860.00 International preliminary examination fee not paid of USPTO but international search paid to USPTO \$710.00 International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO but claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$690.00 International preliminary examination fee paid of USPTO and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$100.00					
ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =				\$ 860.00	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than [] 20 [] 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).				\$	
Claims	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Total Claims	98 - 20 =	78	X \$18.00	\$1,404.00	
Independent Claims	26 - 3 =	23	X \$80.00	\$1,840.00	
Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable) + \$270.00				\$	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$4,104.00	
Small Entity Status is hereby asserted. Above fees are reduced by 1/2.				\$	
SUBTOTAL =				\$4,104.00	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than [] 20 [] 30 months from the earliest +				\$	
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =				\$4,104.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property +				\$	<u>'</u>
appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property + TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =				\$4,104.00	
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				Amount to be charged	\$
a. [X] A check in the amount of \$4,104.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.					
b. [] Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-0975 in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.					
c. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0975.					
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or					
(b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.					

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TIMELY ENTRY INTO U.S. NATIONAL STAGE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The enclosed papers are filed for entry of PCT/JP01/00085 into the U.S. National Stage.

Although U.S. National Stage entry would normally have been due by September 11, 2001, it is submitted that the present submission is timely in view of the PTO Notice of September 11 entitled "Emergency Closure - September 11, 2001," whereby it was indicated that "the Patent and Trademark Office will consider September 11, 2001 a 'federal holiday within the District of Columbia' under 35 U.S.C. 21(b)."

Respectfully submitted,

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